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3 **RESOLUTION NO. 2014-26**
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5 **A RESOLUTION OF THE VILLAGE COMMISSION OF**
6 **THE VILLAGE OF BISCAYNE PARK, FLORIDA,**
7 **VOICING SUPPORT FOR THE VENEZUELAN**
8 **DEMONSTRATORS PERSECUTED AND JAILED BY**
9 **THE GOVERNMENT OF VENEZUELA, DEMANDING A**
10 **HALT TO THE MISTREATMENT AND PERSECUTION**
11 **OF THE DEMONSTRATORS AND THE RELEASE OF**
12 **ALL POLITICAL PRISONERS; AND REQUESTING**
13 **THE ORGANIZATION OF AMERICAN STATES AND**
14 **U.N. COMMISSION ON HUMAN RIGHTS TO**
15 **INVESTIGATE THE MISTREATMENT OF THE**
16 **DEMONSTRATORS AND POLITICAL PRISONERS;**
17 **PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE**
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20 WHEREAS recently the Government of Venezuela has initiated a campaign of
21 violence, intimidation, mistreatment and jailing of opposition leaders and anti-government
22 demonstrators that have resulted in at least six deaths and more than 100 injuries over the
23 past week; and
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25 WHEREAS, the actions of the Government of Venezuela are inconsistent with the
26 basic rights that all humans are entitled to, and inconsistent with the general principles of a
27 democratic society the Government of Venezuela purports to be, such as freedom of
28 assembly, freedom of the press and equal and fair treatment of all individuals irrespective
29 of their political beliefs and views; and,
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31 WHEREAS, the Mayor and Village Commission of the Village of Biscayne Park
32 desire to voice their solidarity with the demonstrators in Venezuela and request the
33 Organization of American States and U.N. Commission on Human Rights intervene on
34 behalf of the demonstrators.
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37 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE VILLAGE COMMISSION OF
38 THE VILLAGE OF BISCAYNE PARK, FLORIDA
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41 **Section 1. Recitals.** The foregoing "WHEREAS" clauses are true and
42 correct and hereby ratified and confirmed by the Village Commission.
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45 **Section 2. Statement of Solidarity.** The Village Commission hereby
46 condemns the actions of the Venezuelan Government and voices its support for the
47 Venezuelan opposition leaders and demonstrators that are the subject of violence,
48 intimidation, mistreatment and jailing by the Venezuelan Government; denouncing their
49 abuse, demanding a halt to all mistreatment, and calling for the release of all political
50 prisoners. The Village Commission also hereby requests the Organization of American
51 States and the U.N. Commission on Human Rights to investigate the mistreatment of the
52 demonstrators. The Village Clerk is directed to forward a copy of this Resolution to

1 Permanent Council of the Organization of American States and U.N. Secretary General
2 Ban Ki-moon.

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4 **Section 3.** **Effective Date.** This Resolution shall become effective upon
5 adoption.


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7 PASSED AND ADOPTED this 4th day of March, 2014

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10 **The foregoing resolution upon being**
11 **put to a vote, the vote was as follows:**

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13 _____
14 David Coviello, Mayor

15 Mayor Coviello: Yes
16 Vice Mayor Watts: Yes
17 Commissioner Anderson: Yes
18 Commissioner Jonas: No
19 Commissioner Ross: Yes

20 Attest:

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22 _____
23 Maria C. Camara, Village Clerk

24 Approved as to form:

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27 John J. Hearn, Village Attorney
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March 10, 2014

Secretary General Ban Ki-moon
United Nations

New York, NY 10017

Re: Resolution 2014-26

Dear Sir;

Enclosed please find Resolution 2014-26 that was passed by the Commission of the Village of Biscayne Park. This resolution voices the support for the Venezuelan Demonstrators.

On behalf of the Mayor, Commission, administration and residents, we extend our appreciation for your kind consideration. Our thoughts are with the Venezuelans in our community, as well as those throughout the world.

Sincerely yours,
Village of Biscayne Park

Maria C. Camara
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Permanent Council
Organization of American States
17th Street and Constitution Avenue
Washington, DC 20006

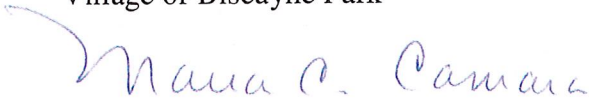
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From: Civil Society <civilsociety@oas.org>
Sent: Friday, March 21, 2014 5:26 PM
To: 'villageclerk@biscayneparkfl.gov'
Subject: Village of Biscayne Park - Resolution 2014-26

Dear Ms. Camara,

On behalf of Jorge Sanin, Director of the Department of International Affairs of the Organization of American States (OAS), we would like to acknowledge receipt of your communication to the OAS Permanent Council dated March 10, 2014 in which you share with us a copy of Resolution 2014-26 passed by the Commission of the Village of Biscayne Park, regarding Venezuela.

For more information about civil society participation in OAS activities, please visit our Website www.civil-society.oas.org.

Sincerely,

Department of International Affairs
Secretariat for External Relations
Organization of American States



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March 5, 2014

Mayor Luigi Boria
City of Doral
8401 Northwest 53rd Terrace
Doral, Florida 33166

Re: Support of the Venezuelan Democratic Movement

Dear Mayor Boria:

On behalf of the Village of Biscayne Park Commission and our residents, enclosed please find Resolution 2014-26 voicing the Village's support for the Venezuelan demonstrators.

Our thoughts are with the Venezuelans in your community, in the Village of Biscayne Park, and all across the world.

Kind regards,

David Coviello
Mayor

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